

IAP20 Rec'd PCT/PTO 04 JAN 2006

PTO/SB/08a/b (08-03)

Approved for use through 07/31/2006. OMB 0651-0031

U.S. Patent and Trademark Office; U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, no persons are required to respond to a collection of information unless it contains a valid OMB control number.

Substitute for form 1449A/B/PTO		Considered if known 10/563304	
INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT BY APPLICANT (Use as many sheets as necessary)		Application Number	Not Yet Assigned
		Filing Date	Concurrently herewith
		First Named Inventor	Kazumi Kato
		Art Unit	N/A
		Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned
Sheet 1 of 1	Attorney Docket Number	SON-3075	

U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS					
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Document Number Number-Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear
	AA				
	AB				

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document Country Code ² -Number ² -Kind Code ² (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	T ³
/RY/	BA	JP 2000-136678	05-16-2000	YKK Architectural Products Inc.		X
	BB	JP 11-245376	09-14-1999	Ricoh Co., Ltd.		X
	BC	JP 08-207243	08-13-1996	Sony Corp.		X
	BD	JP 2001-287337	10-16-2001	Sanyo Electric Co., Ltd.		
	BE	JP 07-178887	07-18-1995	Nippon Oil Co., Ltd.		X
	BF	JP 08-39766	02-13-1996	Niyuorongu Seimitsu Kogyo		X
	BG	JP 2003-25544	01-29-2003	Kabushiki Kaisha Murata Mfg. Co., Ltd.		X

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant. ¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² See Kinds Codes of USPTO Patent Documents at www.uspto.gov or MPEP 901.04. ³ Enter Office that issued the document, by the two-letter code (WIPO Standard ST.3). ⁴ For Japanese patent documents, the indication of the year of the reign of the Emperor must precede the serial number of the patent document. ⁵ Kind of document by the appropriate symbols as indicated on the document under WIPO Standard ST.16 if possible. ⁶ Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS			
Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	T ³
/RY/	CA	International Search Report dated September 21, 2004	

*EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.

¹ Applicant's unique citation designation number (optional). ² Applicant is to place a check mark here if English language Translation is attached.

Examiner Signature	/Ren Yan/	Date Considered	08/22/2007
--------------------	-----------	-----------------	------------